(*b*) the total value under each head of timber thus sold ;

(*c*) the total quantity of each of the different varieties of timber sold in public auction ; and

(*d*) the total value realised under each head in the year 1100 ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The statement containing the information required by the member is available for perusal at the office of the Secretary to the Legislative Council.

Price of Timber sold by the Forest Department.

205. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to furnish a statement showing the difference in the prices at which each class of timber has been supplied to the Government and the average price realised by the sale of similar timber of corresponding quality in public auction during 1100 ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The statement* required by the member is laid on the table.

Nairs in the Education Department.

206. **MR. M. N. PILLAI** (*Trivandrum*) : (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state the reasons for not selecting any Nair graduate teacher for L. T. training during the year 1925-26 ?

(*b*) Will they be pleased to furnish the names of the graduate teachers appointed in the vacancies of those selected for training during 1925-26 ?

(*c*) Are the Government aware that, out of the 33 Assistant Inspectors of Schools, there is only one Nair Inspector and that the claims of Nairs are overlooked and non-Nairs, who are juniors in service, are appointed as Assistant Inspectors ?

(*d*) Are they aware that the proportion of Nair graduate teachers is very small in the Education Department ?

(*e*) Will they be pleased to order the educational authorities to give adequate encouragement to qualified Nairs in that department ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Three Nair graduate teachers from private schools were selected for training as stipendiaries, though no Nair graduate teacher was selected from the departmental schools. The selection of teachers for training from the departmental schools is ordinarily made in the order of seniority. On the basis of this principle, the case of no Nair graduate was overlooked.

(*b*) The list† required by the member is laid on the table.

(*c*) There are only 32 Assistant Inspecting Officers in all and not 33. Of these, four are Nairs. The appointment of a teacher as an Assistant Inspecting Officer does not carry an increase of pay and such appointments are made in the interests of service.

(*d*) The Government are aware that the number of Nair graduate teachers in the Education Department is comparatively small.

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* *Vide* Appendix VI—page 755.

† *Vide* Appendix VII—page 756.

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[Mr. K. George.]

(*e*) It is reported that adequate encouragement is being given, as far as practicable, to qualified Nairs in the department.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Are the Government aware that non-Nair graduate teachers with less number of years of service were selected for training in the Training College?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is no information.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will they enquire?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know whether the Government will be pleased to give more encouragement to the Nairs in the Education Department?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Instructions have already been issued by the Government to the Director to give encouragement to all communities which are poorly represented in the department.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know the number of graduates entertained in the department during the last year?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I think that question was answered.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): It was not an answer to my question, at any rate.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I think the matter was placed before the Council.

Transfer of Non-Brahmins from the Office of the Director of Public Instruction.

207. **MR. M. N. PILLAI** (*Trivandrum*): Are the Government aware that (*a*) a non-Brahmin clerk has been recently transferred from the office of the Director of Public Instruction to the office of the Inspector of Vernacular Schools with a view to promote a Brahmin clerk without the requisite qualification; and

(*b*) a non-Brahmin typist has also been reverted to his permanent place in a school and a Brahmin typist appointed in his place although there were applicants from among the non-Brahmin communities?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) A non-Brahmin clerk was recently transferred from the office of the Director of Public Instruction to that of the Inspector of Vernacular Schools; but this was not done to promote a Brahmin clerk without the requisite qualification.

(*b*) The non-Brahmin typist was reverted to his permanent place in a school *at his own request*. The Brahmin typist who has been appointed in his place is reported to be the best qualified of the applicants for the post.

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